

AMENDMENTS TO THE ABSTRACT

Please amend the Abstract as specified herein in compliance with 37 C.F.R. §1.121 by replacing the identified paragraph as indicated below. The amended paragraph contains no new matter.

Specifically, please replace the pending Abstract with the following amended language:

ABSTRACT

The invention relates to a filter, such as an oil filter for a combustion engine. The inventive filter ~~comprises~~ includes a filter housing and a valve, such as a non-return valve, a filter bypassing valve or a drain valve, that is arranged in the filter housing. According to the invention, the valve body of said valve is arranged at a combination component which is provided with ~~connecting means~~ a connector for connecting at least one additional filter component, such as an additional valve or a filter inset, to the combination component.